

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, Applicants have added Claim 11.

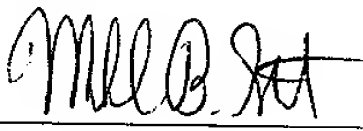
Applicants have added Claim 11 to include the elements of claim 1 with the exception of the limitation to the elastomeric material.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0013, under Order No. 60680-1187 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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